



GOOD LUCK CHARMS: Rabbit's feet, horse shoes and other good luck omens were in evidence during bingo games in South Haven last night. Mrs. Lena Humm of South Haven had more than her share but it didn't help as she failed to win any of the 25 games played by the more than 300 persons who attended.

Legal Bingo Cheered By 300 Players

South Haven Event Makes
History For Area

BY TOM RENNER
South Haven Correspondent
SOUTH HAVEN — Legalized bingo made its debut in southwestern Michigan last night with players taking home an estimated \$700 in cash prizes.

More than 300 players, 75 per cent of them women, played bingo for more than four hours at the national guard armory in an event sponsored by the National Blueberry Festival.

The calling of the first number of the evening under the new state law legalizing bingo brought cheers from the players which included many out-of-state residents.

The South Haven game was only the second approved by the Michigan Lottery commission under the new law which went

into effect July 1.

The first bingo was played at the Seaway festival in Muskegon.

Cash prizes ranged from an average \$15 for regular games to a jackpot kitty that amounted to \$133.

The area's first bingo winner came on an unusual note as Mrs. Bessie Henry, 65, of South Haven, won not only the first game but the second also.

Mrs. Henry received \$12 for her first win and \$13 for the second. More than 1,200 cards were being played when Mrs. Henry won the back-to-back games.

The bingo sponsors provided corn for card markers but many of the participants came equipped with their own devices which included buttons, pennies and poker chips.

Many of the participants, including Mrs. Bernadine Fike of Bangor, said legalized bingo will save them their regular trips out-of-state to play the game.

Mrs. Fike said she and a friend traveled to South Bend almost every weekend to play bingo.

Festival promoters said they are considering the possibility of sponsoring bingo on a monthly basis as a source of revenue for future festivals.



FIRST WINNER: Mrs. Bessie Henry of South Haven accepts her cash prize as first winner of legalized bingo in southwestern Michigan. Mrs. Henry won not only first game but second also as 300 persons gathered in South Haven for National Blueberry Festival event. (Tom Renner photo)

Missing Girl's Family Keeps Vigil At Camp

THREE FORKS, Mont. (AP) — Marietta Jaeger wonders what sort of hell her 7-year-old daughter has gone through. She waits and hopes that, whatever the outcome, Susie is alive.

The William Jaegers, a closeknit family from the Detroit suburb of Farmington, have maintained a vigil on the

banks of the Missouri River at its rough-hewn scenic beginning. Susan Jaeger has been missing since June 25 when she apparently was kidnapped from the tent where she slept beside her sister and brothers.

Since then there has been one ray of hope, a telephone call July 2 from a man who spoke of

a ransom for Susie Jaeger, a shy little girl who was afraid of strangers and whose youth had kept the family from taking a group vacation until this year.

Despite public pleadings by the Jaegers for the caller to call again and despite their pledge to raise an unspecified amount of ransom money, there have been no reports of further contacts. If the caller has tried again, FBI agents and the local sheriff are keeping word of that to themselves.

"We hope the man will make a new contact and come up with something specific," Mrs.

Jaeger said Tuesday.

She told a newsmen that the caller "mentioned something about Susie we had overlooked when we talked to authorities." FBI agents, spearheading the investigation, have not discounted the ransom call as a hoax.

Sitting with the assembled family and with the strain of the ordeal showing on her face, she says the report of the ransom call has helped the family to think positive about Susie. "We want to believe she is alive but if

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Court Of Appeals Rules For LMC!

BULLETIN

The U.S. Sixth Circuit Court of Appeals in Cincinnati late Tuesday upheld an appeal of Lake Michigan college from a temporary injunction of Federal District Court Judge Noel Fox on April 30 that had ordered the college to reinstate some 45 fired faculty members.

The appellate decision set aside Judge Fox's order, and returned the case to federal district court at Grand Rapids.

Children Drown In Cass, Allegan

Two children died by drowning in separate accidents in Cass and Allegan counties yesterday, area police agencies reported.

Victims were a White Pigeon boy, 10, who drowned while playing with friends in the St. Joseph river and a Plainwell girl, 3, who fell into a septic tank in a neighbor's yard at about 11:20 p.m.

Deputies reported the girl's mother called authorities at about 9:30 and said the girl was missing.

Deputies, police and firemen began searching the area of the girl's home, and found a small hole where the ground had apparently collapsed over a septic tank in the yard of a neighbor, Raymond Leone.

Deputies probed the tank and recovered the child's body from it. She was declared dead at the scene by Dr. Richard Plagenhoef, of Plainwell, deputy county medical examiner.

The drowning was the second reported this year in Allegan county.

the body of Angela Currie, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. George Currie, of 904 110th avenue, Plainwell, from a septic tank in the yard of a neighbor, Raymond Leone.

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House Of David Park, Vegetarian Restaurant open thru Labor Day.

Golf at Paw Paw Lake. Adv.



MOTHER WAITS: Mrs. William (Marietta) Jaeger, whose 7-year-old daughter was abducted from a campground tent two weeks ago at Three Forks, Mont., is still waiting at the campground for word about her daughter. The Jaegers are from Farmington, Mich. (AP Wirephoto)

World Food Shortage Is Growing

WASHINGTON (AP) — An expanding world food crisis is a growing threat, with population increases and the new affluence of some nations cited as factors, according to a report soon to be published here.

The analysis by the Overseas Development Council, a Washington-based research organization on international economic trends, warns of sharply increased competition among nations for food.

Among its proposals, the ODC endorses the United Nations Food and Agriculture Organization plan for a world food bank to prevent localized food shortages.

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Lake Temperature

The temperature of Lake Michigan at shoreline today is 53 degrees.

Could Win \$200,000

Paw Paw Woman

In Big Drawing

A Paw Paw woman is among 12 persons who will share \$630,000 in the Michigan Lottery's 33rd weekly Super Drawing Thursday in Traverse City.

She is Mrs. Marcella L. Wallack, 30, who works as a bartender at the Lawrence Inn. She has an 8-year-old daughter, Annette, for whom she plans to set up a trust fund with her winnings.

She is assured of a minimum of \$10,000. One of the 12 contestants will get \$200,000, eight will win \$50,000, and three will get \$10,000 each.

Tomorrow's drawing will be held in conjunction with the National Cherry Festival in Traverse City. The Super Drawing will follow the regular weekly drawing.

A Wisconsin man will be his state's first entry in the Super Drawing. He is Daryl J. Hutjens, 24, of De Pere, Wis., a paper company employee.

Other contestants are: Harvey L. McClain, of Battle Creek.

Gary A. White, of West Bloomfield.

Robert L. Baker, 40, of Jack-

son, a repairman for Kelsey-Hayes and father of two sons.

Florio Alessandrini, 53, of Dearborn Heights, a millwright at Ford Motor Co. and father of nine children ranging from 5 to 28.

Alfred W. Rodman, 55, of Lincoln Park, a machine re-builder at Metropolitan Machinery and father of three sons.

Arthur N. Gunter, 47, of Port Huron, a single, self-employed musician.

Helen M. Clouse, 54, of De-

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BRIDE AND GROOM: Ex-POW Navy Lt. Commander Robert Dean Woods and his bride are shown Tuesday after their wedding in the chapel at the Richards-Grebaud Air Force Base in Missouri. Woods, from Adrian, Mo., was a prisoner in North Vietnam for 6½ years. The bride, former Sheryl Hucks, South Bend, Ind., wore a bracelet bearing Woods' name for two years, and upon his return the two met. The couple will honeymoon in Florida. (AP Wirephoto)

Mitchell Feared Nixon Would 'Lower The Boom'

Former U.S. Attorney General John Mitchell testified Tuesday he purposely kept details of the Watergate scandal from President Nixon because he feared the president would "just lower the

boom on all this matter and it would hurt him and this would affect him in his re-election. . . . Mitchell said in his testimony before the Senate committee probing the Watergate incident that he

worked to "keep the lid on" Watergate so as not to involve the president. See complete article on page 16.

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Editorial Page

W. J. Banyon, Editor and Publisher
Bert Lindenfeld, Managing Editor

Mass Transit's Tired Blood

For the past several days the banner story among the Chicago news media has been the latest financial crisis of the Chicago Transit Authority.

The tale itself is almost as old as the CTA's creation some 20 years ago when the public authority bailed out the creditors of half a dozen rail and bus lines by purchasing their worn out equipment and rolling stock.

The present emergency is a distillation of past troubles, compounded by a political feud pitting Gov. Dan Walker against the Republican majority in the Illinois legislature and, in low profile, the Daley machine in Chicago's city hall over which side can claim the savior's role.

Though the ultimate solution might be a metropolitan type of CTA joining the suburbs and the central city into a mutual salvation plan, the current problem is finding a few million dollars just to keep the system running. If this injection is not forthcoming shortly, 2 million rides a day face the dismaying conversion into either immobilization or more automobile traffic on already overcrowded streets and expressways. Another fare increase is one alternative which might postpone but not solve either the money question or this conversion difficulty.

The CTA dilemma finds a counterpart, in varying degree, throughout the U.S., wherever the mobility of a population is vital to the community's workaday existence.

The American visitor who spends more time in Europe than that allowed by the conventional package tour is impressed by the contrast of not having to depend completely upon the automobile to get him from one place to another or from one point to another within a given location.

The rail and bus lines perform much of that service in a creditable manner and for considerably less than U.S. carriers must charge for comparable distances and scheduling. In truth, the comparison in scheduling puts the U.S. in a Tobacco Road category.

One thought uppermost in mind upon returning to the states is why the

English In This Age

It is difficult to concentrate on using the English language properly in an age when man is thinking of space age and nuclear things. Nevertheless, a knowledge of proper English is as important as anything a student may learn in life.

To be able to speak one's own language properly and clearly is to possess a communications system no amount of scientific knowledge can provide.

It would nonetheless be wrong to suggest that rigid conformity with rules established by bores who lived in the past should be religiously followed by today's writers and speakers. English is not a dead language like Latin. It has vitality only when it absorbs strength from each new generation.

The trouble is that preoccupation with science in school and in leisure hours has made many young people unaware of the value of their language as a means of communication. If they cannot communicate properly, they not only dull their potential but they very likely never even glimpse the vast storehouse of our literature.

most technologically advanced and the richest country in the world has the poorest transportation system.

The answer is two-fold.

First, the foreigner, not yet anyway, is not submerged by the love affair between the American and his automobile.

Secondly, the political tradition in transportation differs widely.

The European approach might be called a wholesale packaging. Whatever the form, air, rail or bus, it is owned and operated by the government. The goal is to set fares so each form is self supporting, but if the government has to make up the difference, no one complains. Additionally, the government is chary on expensive highway construction.

The American advance has been at the retail level. Rail, air and bus are regulated as unrelated entities. Competition is encouraged between them and within their own perimeters. The subsidy finds a common ground with the European plan, though its forms differ. And no one need be reminded of the American penchant for going whole hog on highway construction.

This combination of excessive competition and undue regulation served a purpose, first in taming the wilderness and later in a supportive role to industrializing the nation, but it has no place in a mature economy. Continuing an uncoordinated transport system hurts the economy. By themselves, gin and beer are palatable drinks. Mixed, they become so much zilch.

The Post Office's record is a dramatic argument against the government running the transportation system and not every European country scores a 100 on its performance.

Neither is a full nationalized transport system required for every nook and cranny in the land.

Rather the starting point must be a marriage between the various systems in the denser population areas looking to their sounder financial underpinning, and taking a closer look at more and more road construction as the sole answer to traffic bottlenecks. The subsidy is an unavoidable ingredient in this new medicine, but it must be administered with a more nonpolitical spoon than has been the practice.

When mass transit is mentioned the common reference alludes to the large city, Chicago with its faltering CTA, Detroit with its bankrupt DSR, and so on.

Rarely is the context applied to suburbia or the smaller population centers.

The reason is the attention focused on the large central city's difficulties starting with the Kennedy Administration.

It is natural to think of the central city as the hub to all that surrounds it and if the hub weakens the wheel will collapse.

The continuing growth beyond the central city casts doubt upon this assumption.

Hub and rim appear to be in a process of dissolving into a larger mass, a regional urban community.

If this trend is as real as it is apparent, then all the more reason exists for changing some older viewpoints on how best to preserve mobility.

What's In The News?

Newspapers today devote much space to what are known as human interest stories.

The child who lost a hand. The marriage of so-and-so and so-and-so. Someone plans to row across an ocean in a bathtub. News of that sort.

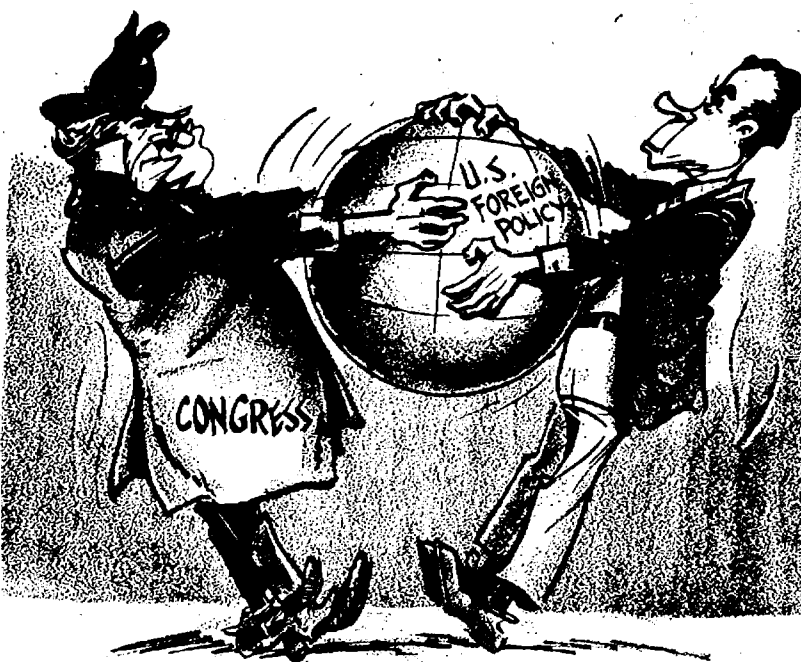
There is a logical explanation. Newspaper editors have become surfeited with war and rumors of war, international intrigue, violations of the cease-fire, political manipulations at home and abroad.

Murder and crime, and violence in the streets have become so commonplace they fail to arouse the old enthusiasm for sensation.

There are those who appear to believe newspapermen find satisfaction in happenings in a world that often appears to have gone crazy. It's a lie. They are, as a matter of fact, kindly souls who would prefer to print news about the wholesome aspects of life, instead of the dreary.

To a man, they hope for a return of more tranquil times.

Tug Of War



GLANCING BACKWARDS

CURB, GUTTER BILL REDUCED \$1.50 YARD — 1 Year Ago —

The St. Joseph city commission last night voted to reduce from \$4.50 to \$3.00 per front foot the assessment to south Lake Shore drive property owners for curb and gutters recently installed in the area. The reduction in the assessment was decided on by the commissioners after a group of 25 property owners protested the assessment at last week's meeting.

Last night's meeting was attended by 14 of the property owners and were told by St. Joseph Mayor Franklin Smith, "There is a question in the minds of the commissioners as to what percentage of benefit you are receiving from this project. 'While no one in the city gets 100 per cent benefit from a project like this, you are getting probably even less."

WHIRLPOOL CONTRACTS FOR ASTRONAUT FOOD — 10 Years Ago —

When the United States sails two astronauts together into space in Project Gemini they'll dine on Michigan-developed food and shave with a Michigan-developed razor. A company that builds washing machines and stoves and such is doing the developing under contract with the National Aeronautics and Space Administration. It is Whirlpool Corp. of Benton Harbor.

FIX CAMP HERE FOR 300 NAZIS — 29 Years Ago —

The former National Youth Administration quarters adjoining the twin city airport, off Territorial road, Benton Harbor, is being converted today into a camp which will house 300 prisoners of war assigned to this territory for work in canneries and on fruit farms. The 300 prisoners are in addition to those now at work in the Fruit Belt and housed at the Hartford fair grounds in Van Buren county.

The NYA buildings, erected a few years ago by the government and now the subject of negotiations for purchase by the city of Benton Harbor, are being put in shape by prisoner details under military guard. A wire enclosure is also being erected. THE PUBLIC will be kept away from the camp.

LASALLE EXTENSION GRADS — 39 Years Ago —

Miss Wanda E. Rabe and Charles J. Rhodes are the first two people in the practical accounting and office practice course, sponsored by LaSalle Extension university, to qualify for a diploma.

HUNCHBACK PLAYS SJ — 49 Years Ago —

Lon Chaney, Ernest Torrence, Raymond Hatton, Tully Marshall, Brandon Hurst and Patsy Ruth Mille are playing in "The Hunchback of Notre Dame," which is having a successful run at the Caldwell theater.

OUTDOOR AD FEE — 59 Years Ago —

Agitation has reached members of the city council for the regulation of outdoor advertising of any kind by means of a license fee. No official action has been taken by the council.

GUS ANDERSON'S YACHT — 83 Years Ago —

Gus Anderson has built himself a fine 24-foot keel yacht of a design entirely foreign to any other craft in the harbor. She is quite a curiosity as well as an excellent boat.

Ray Cromley

Much Inflation Government Fault



WASHINGTON (NEA) — An almost incredible series of administration blunders and inefficiencies is responsible in considerable measure for the seriousness of this inflation:

— A high-pressureing of the economy during 1972 to make certain the nation was throbbing ahead vigorously at the November election. The money supply was inflated 8 per cent last year and the economy forced to an 8 per cent growth, twice what economists think can be maintained.

Mr. Nixon perpetuated the same error he correctly accused President Johnson of making — running a series of large federal budget deficits, a practice Nixon analysts have said was responsible for bringing inflation in the first place.

— Constant feuding and intense personal rivalry between men responsible for various aspects of U.S. domestic and international economic policies, which resulted in a series of foul-ups. Each department and agency has gone its own way in economic matters, keeping the others uninformed on actions and information which would have serious effects on what they were planning.

— A bogdown of communications within the government which prevented accurate information on Russia's 1972 grain crisis from reaching the hands of the men arranging the grain deal, a failure of the Agriculture

Department to be alert to the heavy Russian buying at cut-rate U.S.-subsidized prices until too late, and a failure of the administration's economists to anticipate the effect of this buying on grain and food prices.

— Slow, incomplete, inaccurate or otherwise marginal methods for anticipating shortages or heavier-than-usual demand. A failure, for example, to anticipate the \$19 billion increase in consumer income which led to today's heavy buying pressures. A failure by the Interior Department to fully anticipate the worldwide shortages in nonferrous metals and other minerals. A failure of top administration economists to keep up with the critical 1971 and 1972 world crop shortfalls.

— No reasonably accurate governmental studies on the economic effects of strong federal actions. A willingness to jump into action without knowing what the results would be.

— A poor feedback system for monitoring the results of government steps once taken.

— An ignorance of economic motivation in the most general sense. The administration men believed they were freeing 45 million acres of agricultural land from controls a few months back and that it would be quickly put to crops. It turns out that only half that land will be planted. No one in the government apparently knows why.

Marianne Means

Women Need Penal Reform



WASHINGTON (KFS) — My friend Tom Wicker, the New York Times columnist who is the resident moralist among us, has used up a great deal of newspaper lately clucking about unfair conditions inside state and federal prisons.

Inside those prisons operated for male inmates, that is.

Wicker has dropped no clue that his interest in penal reform extends to institutions for female convicts. One wonders if he knows they exist.

Unfortunately, Wicker is not the only dedicated idealist who thinks of prisons as totally a male problem. The President's Commission on Law Enforcement and Administration of Justice cranked out a task force report a few years ago that blithely overlooked female prisons. And there hasn't been a comprehensive national survey of correctional facilities for women since 1931.

Male and female inmates now face markedly different and unequal experiences under the present system of sexually segregated prisons. If the Equal Rights Amendment is ratified, prison integration, within reasonable constitutional limits,

tations, should be required.

But in the meantime, the female prisoner is a forgotten soul. One of the reasons is that there are only 6,000 women inmates, compared to approximately 194,000 men. Accordingly, there are fewer institutions for women and they tend to be less crowded than male prisons.

The Yale Law Journal last month published a special study of sexual discrimination in the dual prison system which has resulted from the population disparity between men and women. It concluded that both men and women were disadvantaged by the old sexual stereotyping and that uniform treatment could only be achieved by an integrated system (with separate facilities for bathing and sleeping, to protect the constitutional right to privacy).

Because women's prisons are of necessity more widely separated than men's, women are often forced to live farther from their friends and their attorneys than are men. Their prisons are so small they are not segregated by offense, age or other variables, as men usually are. First-offenders are thrown in with hard-core criminals.

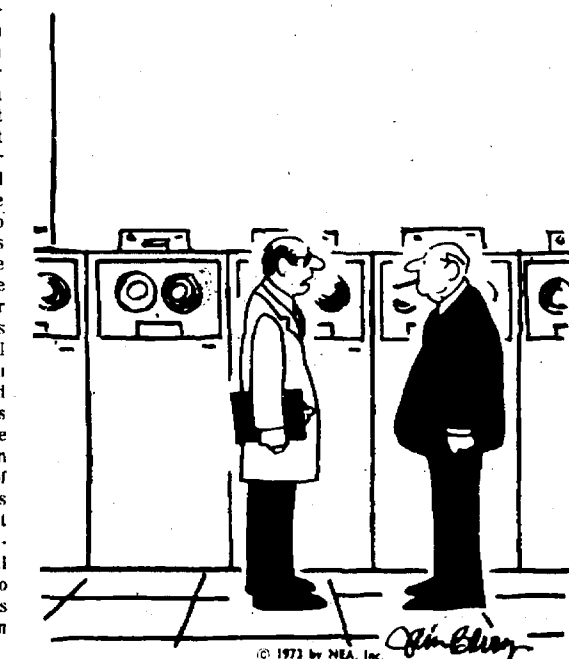
Women's prisons usually do not have the full-time medical staff or religious services that the larger men's prisons do. Women inmates generally have fewer recreational facilities and fewer vocational industry programs than men do.

On the other hand, male prisoners are discriminated against in the sense that they get less individual attention and are generally granted less privacy than females. Uniforms are usually mandated for male prisoners, both for guards and prisoners, but not for female prisoners. Because their prisons are more crowded, males are tended by fewer staff members than are females.

The Yale Law Journal notes tacitly that there may be some major problems in integrating the prison system. "In view of the small number of female inmates, male competition for the attention of a few women might be a source of tension, if not violence," the article states.

Even so, it seems to be the only way to end the current widespread discrimination.

BERRY'S WORLD



"I'm afraid one of our computers has been stealing from the company."

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EXPRESS YOUR FEELINGS

Editor,

We, as good American Citizens should wake up and express our feelings or beliefs as we see them, to our president, U.S. Congressmen,

You, the President, entrusted (See back page, sec. 1, col. 7)

State Might Get Grand Mere Land Without Court Fight

By JOHN VANDEN HEDE
Outdoors Editor

Condemnation proceedings apparently won't be necessary for acquiring land for the proposed Grand Mere State Park.

Continuing efforts and negotiations have resulted in a settlement which now needs only formal approval at

Friday's meeting of the Michigan Natural Resources Commission.

While condemnation action won't be necessary by the Department of Natural Resources under the tentative agreement, the park will cost considerably more and the current owners have secured provisions for possible future

repurchase.

The price for the 382.82-acre tract, now in trust in the estate of the late P.A. Shapiro of Chicago, is now \$613,700 (\$1,603.10 per acre). A total of \$463,000 had been appropriated when the first steps toward condemnation were taken at the April Natural Resources Commission meeting.

"Current review indicates that the value of the subject 382.82 acres (by current survey) has shown a substantial market increase of at least 15 per cent since the April 1972 date of the appraisal, and accounting for at least \$72,450 of the value increase," noted Robert G. Wood of the lands division and O.J. Scherschligt of the parks division in a memorandum to DNR director A. Gene Gazlay.

"The compromise offer shows a further 12 per cent increase or \$58,250 value to reflect the opinion of value of the owners and their appraisers. It is considered probable that the continuing upward trend of values between this date and any actual court date would be fully equal to this remaining sum. Final testimony at date of trial would require a current updating of appraisal basis of the offer.

"In short, the 27 per cent value rise is within the realm of reason as the basis for a final offer one or more years hence, and offers the assurance of freedom from litigation and present completion of plans which have been pending for some time."

Under the proposal which will go before the commission at Friday's meeting in Cadillac's Caberfae Motor Lodge, the land may be repurchased by the Shapiro heirs "if within 20 years from date of deed the land conveyed, or any part of it, shall be considered for use for other than park purposes."

Consideration shall be the original purchase price plus interest at the rate of six per cent per annum, or the fair market value as established by the rules of the American Arbitration Association, whichever is the lesser value.

The commission reviewed the Grand Mere project and the possibility of condemnation at its April meeting, and authorized final offers. These efforts were not successful, and at the May meeting, the commission authorized use of condemnation. This led to the current status of the proposed park.

Purchase of the area for a planned nature interpretive park would be made from Public Recreation Bond Funds as appropriated by the legislature.

The tract, located south of the twin cities and almost contiguous to I-94 on the east, includes South Grand Mere Lake, about 110 acres of lakeshore dunes and 2,400 feet of beach. It's part of about 1,200 acres which the Grand Mere Association has been working to preserve since 1965.

DNR plans call for development of trails, an interpretive center and an access road, but without camping, picnicking or vehicular travel.

State Episcopal Diocese Ordains SJHS Graduate

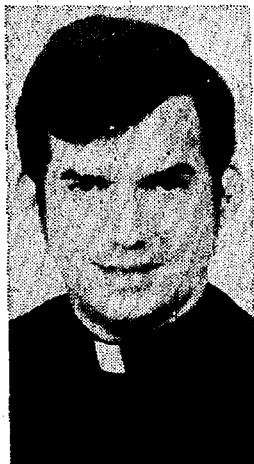
Robert T. Herkner Jr., a 1963 graduate of St. Joseph high school, was recently ordained to the Sacred Order of Deacons, Episcopal Diocese of Michigan, in ceremonies held in Detroit for June graduates of Episcopal Theological School, Cambridge, Mass.

Rev. Herkner earned a

Master of Divinity degree and will serve as curate of the historic Trinity Parish, Newport, R. I. He will also teach a course in Sacred Studies at St. Michael's school (elementary) affiliated with the church.

Rev. Herkner also holds a bachelor of arts degree from Hope College (1967) and earned a master of arts degree in Chinese studies from the University of Michigan in 1969.

Rev. Herkner and his wife, Sarah, are parents of six month old Elizabeth Ann and move to Newport in September. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Robert T. Herkner, 2611 Lake View avenue, St. Joseph.



REV. ROBERT T. HERKNER JR.
Graduate Ordained

Strong Stand For Law, Order

DETROIT (AP) — State Sen. Coleman Young, D-Detroit, set the tone of his campaign for Detroit mayor Tuesday night by declaring a strong stand for law and order.

"Any hoodlum, any thug, black or white, will get no sympathy from me," Young said.

Nursery Taking Registrations In Lakeshore

Lakeshore Preschool nursery is now accepting registrations for the fall sessions.

The nursery is a non-profit school operated and administered by parents. It is held in St. Luke's church at 500 Cleveland avenue, Stevensville.

According to nursery spokesmen, three sessions will be offered. The three-day-a-week morning class will meet Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays from 9 to 11:30 a.m.

The two-day morning class will meet Tuesdays and Thursdays from 9 to 11:30 a.m. daily while the two-day afternoon class will meet from 12:30 to 3 p.m. each Tuesday and Thursday.

Children 3 years of age by Sept. 1, are eligible for enrollment. Tuition costs are \$11 per month for the two-day-a-week sessions and \$16 a month for the three-day-a-week class.

Persons interested in additional information may contact Marsha Abbey, membership chairman, 429-5207.

According to school spokesmen, mothers will assist the class teacher on a rotating basis to enable them to work with and observe their children in a group situation.

Evening meetings for parents are to be held also.

YMCA Has New Classes For Children And Adults

The Benton Harbor YMCA will offer new gym-and-swim classes for children and a noon basketball special for men, both starting next Monday.

Y Physical Director Sam Anderson reports the five-week gym swim classes meet Monday, Wednesday and Friday during the day by age groups, 1-3, 3-7, 8-17, 12-17, and 13-17. It's open to members and non-members, registration will be taken at the first class meeting,

and costs are \$10 for children age 1-7, and \$5 plus memberships for those 8 through 17.

Boys and girls age 1-3 will swim only from 11 to 11:30 a.m.; boys and girls age 3-7 gym and swim from 11 a.m. to noon; boys age 13-17 do body-building and weightlifting from 11:30 to 1 p.m.; girls age 12-17 have "trim club" and gym and swim from 4 to 5:30 p.m.; and boys and girls age 8-17 have advanced gym-

nastics and swimming from 2 to 4 p.m.

The basketball special for men is open to males age 17 and over, from 11:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays, with full and half-court play available. The cost is: 17 and 18-year-olds, \$9 for six months; college students, \$10 for summer through Christmas; men 22 and over, \$54 a year; and men's one-day pass, \$2.



FIRST CUSTOMER: Benton Harbor Mayor Charles F. Joseph purchases first stamps at downtown postal station, 145 Pipestone street, from Mrs. Jessie Smith, office manager. Looking on, from left, are, Benton Harbor Postmaster William Miller; City Com-

missioner Edward Merrill; and Rex Sheeley, proprietor of postal station and Western Union agency in same store at Five Corners. (Staff photo)

Post Office Branch Opens BH Mayor Endorses Merrill

BY RALPH LUTZ
Staff Writer

Benton Harbor Mayor Charles F. Joseph publicly endorsed the re-election campaign of City Commissioner Edward Merrill, during a meeting of businessmen Tuesday.

The mayoral support came as nearly 20 businessmen were gathered to welcome the opening of the Benton Harbor post office downtown station at 145 Pipestone street, also occupied by the Western Union agency. Following a breakfast meet-

ing, Mayor Joseph purchased the first stamps at the postal station.

Merrill, a nine-year veteran on the city commission is seeking re-election to a four-year term as commissioner at-large.

Commenting on the support, Merrill said the mayor has been working with his campaign closely, and, "I am very pleased that the mayor announced his efforts publicly."

"I have been working with Ed Merrill and we have been

walking the streets together," the mayor told the businessmen. Joseph said, "You know, this is an election year. I'm supporting Ed, because he's been a real plug in anchoring the community. We're getting a fine team together on the commission now."

Merrill is among six candidates seeking two posts as commissioner-at-large at the primary election Tuesday, Aug. 7. The field will be reduced to four top vote-getters, who will be on the general election ballot next November.

Other candidates are F. Joseph Flaugh, an incumbent; Carl Brown, currently second ward commissioner, but filed as an at-large candidate; James Dudley; Joe L. Davis; and Hershel McKenzie.

The downtown postal station opened Tuesday, under a one-year contract between property owner Rex Sheeley and the post office. Sheeley also operates the Western Union agency.

Station hours are, 8:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m., Monday through Friday, and 8:30 a.m. to noon Saturday.

The business hours are longer than those at the main post office, Riverview drive, which are, 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Monday through Friday, and 8 a.m. to noon Saturday.

The station will sell stamps and money orders and accept packages from citizens for

mailing. There is no lockbox provision, and Benton Harbor Postmaster William Miller said the station is not yet equipped to handle large-scale parcel post shipments from stores. He said this service is being explored.

Miller, during the breakfast, termed the station a convenience to merchants and shoppers, but warned that it's experimental. Success hinges on profit for both the post office

and Sheeley, Miller said.

Mayor Joseph pledged full support of the city for merchants and asked that they come to the city with all major problems.

Joseph voiced praise for work done so far by City Manager Charles A. Morrison, also present at the session. Joseph said, "We are building around Morrison, a dynamic young man."

WSAM Fighting Price Freeze

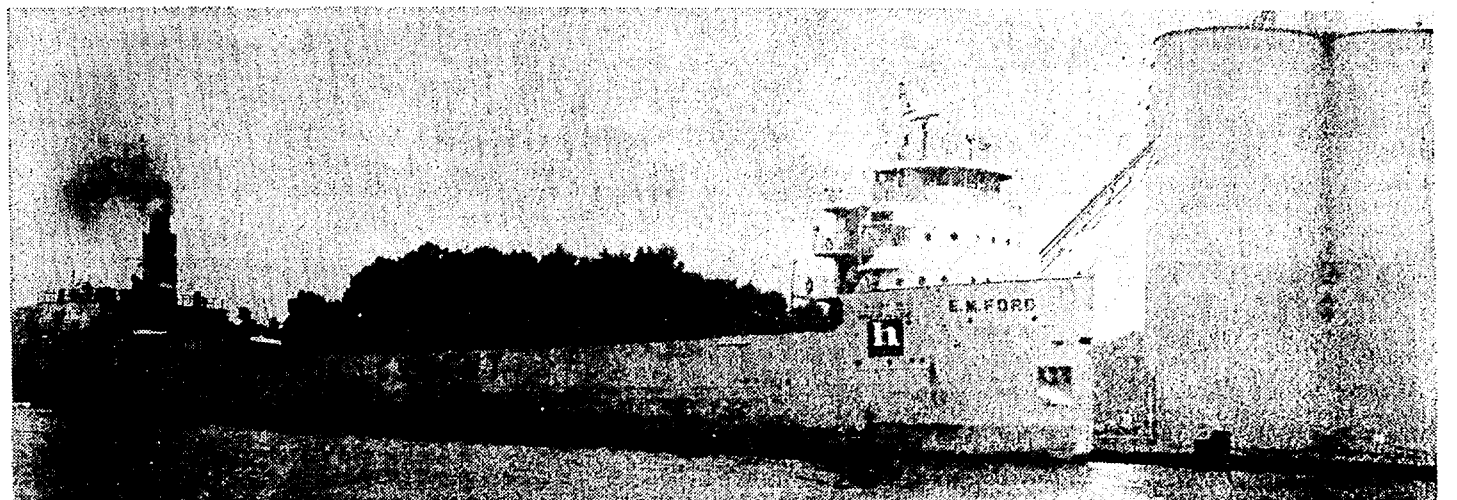
Refusal last week of the Cost of Living council (CLC) to give relief to the tart cherry crop from the price freeze hasn't stopped the Women for Survival of Agriculture in Michigan.

A six-member delegation of Michigan farm wives flew to Washington this morning for a 4 o'clock appointment this afternoon to appear before the Policy Review group of the CLC. They were to be joined in Washington by one or more representatives from the New York wing of Women for Survival of Agriculture.

A request for relief from the price freeze was made by a delegation of male leaders in the tart cherry industry of the Great Lakes states last week without success.

Mrs. Mildred Wendzel of Watervliet said WSAM leaders called the CLC headquarters in Washington and learned where they could make an appeal. They then called the Policy Review group and got this afternoon's appointment.

The WSAM delegation includes Mrs. Wendzel; Mrs. Laura Heuser, Hartford, WSAM President; Mrs. Mildred Schultz, Coloma; Mrs. Leola Wendzel, Benton Harbor; Mrs. Sharon Kalchik, Traverse City, and Mrs. Pat Cohill, Grand Rapids.



LOAD OF CEMENT: The E. M. Ford brought a carrier load of cement to the Huron Cement Co. plant in St. Joseph. The ship arrived Monday evening and continued to unload the 7,165-ton shipment Tuesday. It was the first load of cement in about six

weeks when the parent plant at Alpena was struck with a labor dispute that has been settled with signing of a two-year contract. (Staff photo)

Judge Urges Suit Issues Be Narrowed

The disputed proposed sale of Napier Manor apartments at 777 East Napier avenue, Benton township, Tuesday found a Berrien circuit judge urging both sides to see if there are real issues of dispute and if so, to narrow them.

Twin cities real estate agent Sherill Hudson kicked off the

court case with a suit claiming he owns shares in the corporation owning the apartments and alleging the sale was arranged without a stockholder's meeting.

Last Friday, Judge Byrns enjoined Napier Manor, Inc., from disposing of apartment sale funds without his okay.

The corporation and principal stockholders Robert and Dolores Cooke of Portage, Ind., returned to court Tuesday seeking to dissolve the injunction. They filed a counterclaim against Hudson alleging, in part, that he does not own corporation shares and seeking \$10,010 damages against Hud-

son for alleged overdue rent at the apartments.

Judge Byrns told counsel for both sides Tuesday to see if there are issues for the court and if so, to narrow them.

"Narrow it down," he said. "Lay your cards on the table." He also took under ad-

visement defense motions to dissolve or modify last Friday's injunction, and reserved ruling on Hudson's request for injunction barring the Cookes from dispersing apartment sale funds as individuals. The corporation already is enjoined from doing so.

Gasoline Shortage Delays 'Coating' Of Berrien Roads

BY JERRY KRIEGER
County-Farm Editor
As a measure to conserve its uncertain gasoline supply, the Berrien county road commis-

sion has postponed plans to "single coat" about 50 miles of the worst county road pavements this summer.

Heath Calvin, consulting en-

gineer-manager for the road body, said the commission has been forced to buy its gasoline supplies from local wholesalers in comparatively small lots during the spring quarter of the year and again in the July-August-September quarter.

Usual major refinery sources have refused to sell the commission fuel on a wholesale contract basis. However, it will get contract deliveries from Texaco again for the last quarter of 1973, Calvin stated.

According to Calvin, the annual single coating of deteriorated pavements requires 15 to 20 vehicles working as a fleet. "We can't risk the amount of gas required until we can be assured of enough gas."

Calvin said that should an extra supply of gasoline somehow become available yet this summer, the single coating work could be reinstated.

Single coating consists of one coat of asphalt and three-eighth inch stone chips to resurface deteriorating pavement.

Calvin said other road maintenance will be continued, and grading and double seal paving of unimproved township roads will be carried on.



SAD-EYED BUT FRIENDLY: These puppies are a mixture of Labrador Retriever and Weimaraner and might make good hunters. They're waiting for adoption at the Berrien Humane Society shelter, 641 South Crystal avenue, Benton township. (Staff photo)

Watervliet Man Begins Residency

WATERVLIET — Dr. George E. Drake, son of Mr. and Mrs. William Drake, 234 Park street,

Watervliet, has begun a three-year residency at Grand Rapids Area Medical Education center, which includes three Grand Rapids hospitals.

Dr. Drake was a June graduate of the Michigan State university College of Human Medicine, East Lansing.

A 1965 graduate of L.C. Mohr high school, South Haven, Drake received the College of Human Medicine's 1973 Roche award, in recognition of exceptional performance in both scientific and clinical programs.

As a student, he held a Michigan Heart association fellowship in cardiology, and was an educational fellow in pathology at E. W. Sparrow hospital, East Lansing.

He is married to the former Jane Poulton, of South Haven.



Dr. George E. Drake
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Improvers Elected

Nine persons were elected directors of the Royalton township improvement association last night.

The nine are Neil Berndt, Robert Camp, Adolph J. Dongvillo Jr., Richard Ketchum Jr., Elizabeth Laetz, Walter Locke, Fred Schalon, Howard Wenzlaff

and James Ziemis.

Mrs. Laetz said the directors will meet Monday, July 16, at 8 p.m. in the Peoples State Bank branch in Scottsdale to elect association officers.

The association has been formed to help in development of Royalton township.

'Just Older Youth'

Camp Signups Being Accepted

Registrations are still being accepted for the new JOY (Just Older Youth) camp which will be held at Camp Warren July 22-28, according to the Rev. Arnold Bolin, executive director of the Berrien County Council of Churches.

The council is sponsor of the camp in cooperation with the Berrien County Council on Aging. The camp is open to residents of Berrien county and surrounding areas who are 55 or older.

Rev. Bolin said information on registration is

available at the Council of Churches office, 505 Pleasant street, St. Joseph.

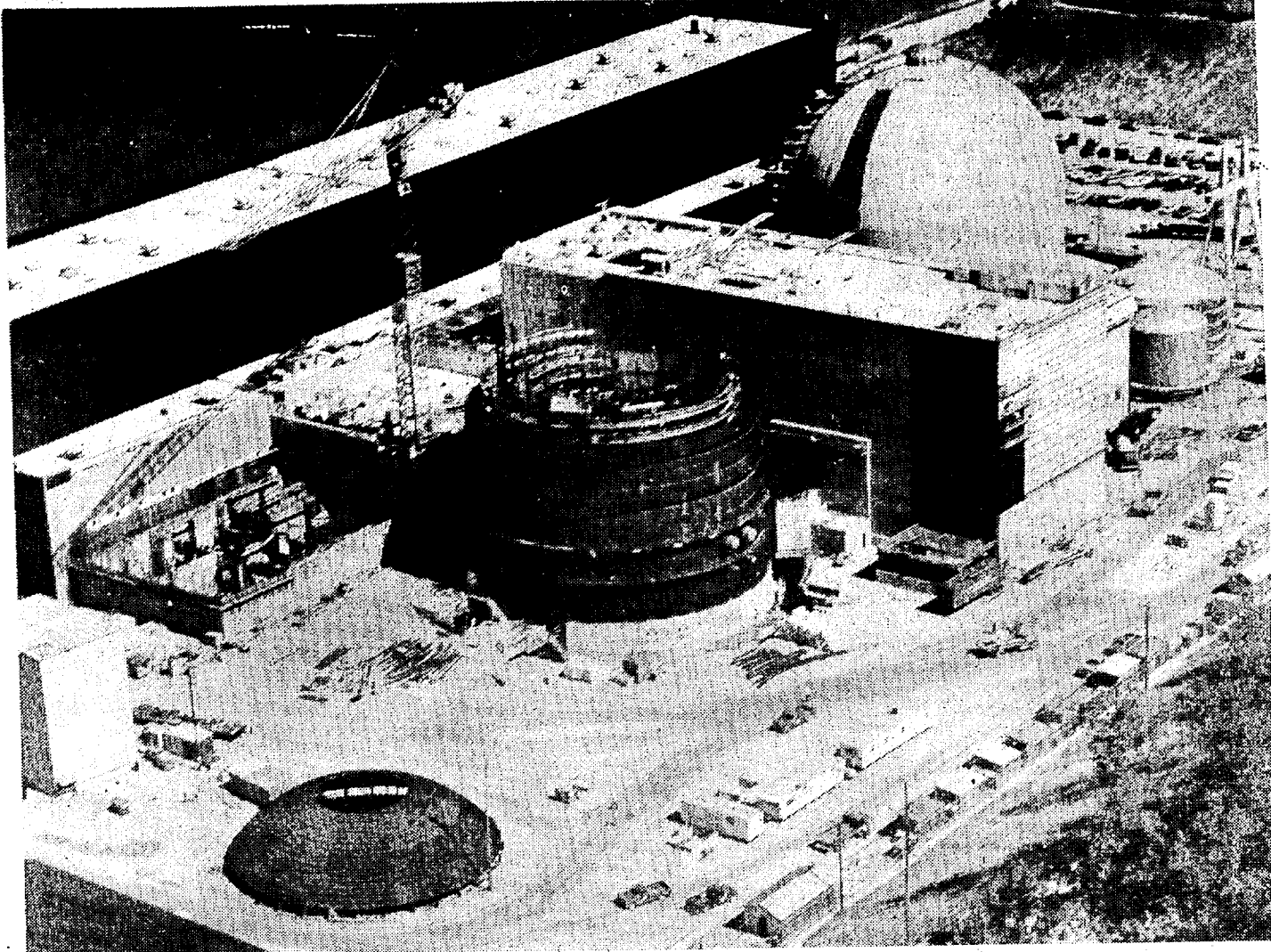
He also announced the Rev. Ray Fasset, associate minister of the First United Methodist church, Kalamazoo, and former minister of Grace United Methodist church, Benton Harbor, will be resident chaplain for the JOY camp.

"We are especially fortunate in having the presence and service of Rev. Fasset for this camp as he has made ministry to the aged a special area of concern in his studies and ministerial duties," Rev.

Bolin said.

The camp is ecumenical and participation in religious activity is optional.

The camp planning committee consists of Chris Grier, coordinator of Twin Cities senior citizens center; Mrs. Lillian Kerry, former Benton Harbor school teacher; Miss Marjorie Montgomery, adult program director of the YWCA; Miss Virginia Dean and Mrs. Joanne Walton, department of social services, and Rev. Bolin.



BACK TO NO. 2 SILO: Construction, halted since last year, is expected to resume in the very near future on the No. 2 reactor containment building (center of picture) at Cook Nuclear plant at Bridgman. Cook Nuclear Center Manager Donald Macke said bids are being evaluated now and the contract will be let soon. Some 26,000 cubic yards of concrete remain to be poured for the silo-

like structure. Work on the No. 2 silo was halted last year in order to speed up construction of the first reactor structure. The No. 1 silo is very nearly complete now and is expected to go into operation in early 1974, according to Macke. (Adolph Hamm aerial photo).

South Haven Appeal Ignored

Van Buren Ambulances Localized

BY STEVE McQUOWN
Paw Paw Bureau

PAW PAW — Van Buren county commissioners here yesterday placed countywide ambulance service into the hands of local officials.

In a 7-1 vote, the commissioners recognized seven ambulance districts and pledged an initial 25 cents per capita in each district as partial payment towards defraying costs.

In the only controversy surrounding the vote, the board ignored an appeal from South Haven which sought to be named as the agent to provide the service in the northwestern part of the county.

Voting for the new service to replace one operated by the sheriff's department were Commissioners Walter Stickels, Donald Hanson, Leonard Markstrom, Waldo Dick, George Fritz, Boyd Estes and Gerald Rendel. Voting against was Commissioner William Taft, South Haven.

Stickels of Bangor said it is up to local districts to settle reimbursement pacts established between districts, and that local districts must make residents aware of telephone numbers to be used in requesting ambulance service.

Any future county involvement would come through supervisory duties imposed by the federal government should a federal highway safety act fund application be successful.

Stickels made his comments after City Councilman Tom Renner of South Haven urged the county board to make the city the area ambulance agent.

Renner said the city already has the manpower, communications and equipment to handle the service.

He added that during the period from April 1972 until March, there were 253 ambulance calls in the northwest county corner, 59 per cent of which were in South Haven.

"I want this to be a public notice to our citizens that we (the city) did try to get it," Renner said.

Stickels criticized the city for what he indicated was an opportunistic attitude.

During the early planning stages of the ambulance transfer, "...South Haven was on record as saying we want no part of this," Stickels said.

He added "South Haven was not cooperative until they found out they were going to get so much money."

Besides the initial 25 cents per capita, an estimated \$100,000 plus - from a successful millage issue last August - will be distributed on a per capita basis, also as will federal funds if and when they become available.

Here are the ambulance districts recognized by the county board:

Dist. 1: South Haven township, servicing the township, city and the western part of Geneva township.

Dist. 2: Covert township (which has been providing its own service for some time) will continue to serve the township.

Dist. 3: The Bangor fire department will service the city, Bangor township and townships of Arlington and Columbia and the eastern part of Geneva township.

Dist. 4: The Hartford fire department will serve the city and Hartford township.

Dist. 5: Decatur fire department will serve the village of

Decatur and Decatur and Hamilton townships.

Dist. 6: Sister Lakes - Keeler service will be provided by the Sister Lakes fire department.

Dist. 7: Funeral director Frank Thompson of Lawton has a private ambulance firm that will serve the largest single area in the county, eight townships and their villages communities. They are the townships of Paw Paw, Antwerp, Porter, Lawrence, Waverly, Almena, Bloomingdale and Pine Grove.

Four of the districts, South Haven township, Bangor, Decatur and Thompson have already received sheriff's vans to be used until new ambulances to be purchased by the county are ordered.

Van Buren Board Okays Contract With Deputies

BY STEVE McQUOWN
Paw Paw Bureau

PAW PAW — A contract between Van Buren sheriff's deputies and the county board of commissioners was approved yesterday by the board.

The contract, already approved by the Teamster's union which represents deputies, was approved by the board by a 7-1 margin.

Commissioner William Taft of South Haven, saying he wanted an attorney to look over the contract worked out by a board committee, voted against contract approval.

Voting in favor were commissioners Gerald Rendel, Boyd

Estes, Walter Stickels, Donald Hanson, Leonard Markstrom, Waldo Dick and George Fritz.

The contract is retroactive to July 1 and runs until Dec. 31, 1974.

It does not include salary increases or hospitalization benefits this calendar year. Salaries will be negotiated for 1974.

Commissioners did not put a cost figure on fringe benefits deputies did receive in this contract, the first ever for county deputies.

The board also recommended that Sheriff Richard Stump sign the contract.

Among the benefits in the contract for deputies are longevity pay, off-duty allowances for carrying a gun; uniform maintenance allowances and the equipment the county has agreed to supply deputies (flashlights, cameras, etc.).

In other action, commissioners voted to join Berrien and Cass counties as members of Region 4 in a state planning association.

They voted against joining another similar organization involving Indiana communities.

James Wellington, of Lacota, spoke against what he termed "surrendering" home government to a state-sponsored organization.

To join the planning unit "...is just pushing us further down the road toward socialism," Wellington said.

Commissioners Taft, Rendel and others assured Wellington that joining the planning group did not mean mandatory participation in all programs.

Also Tuesday, commissioners:

- Appropriated about \$14,000 for the establishment of a printing center for county offices. County Clerk Charles MacDonald said the county could save about 40 per cent on its printing bill which came to some \$30,000 last year.

- Filed a report from the state jail inspector who recommended a recreation yard for prisoners be built, along with a dish sterilizer in the kitchen, and a cement bench and toilets in the solitary confinement cells and wire mesh screens over second floor windows.

- Revealed that a planned

building to house the health and welfare departments is going to cost about \$10,000 or \$12,000 more than the expected \$410,000.

Commissioner Taft said the Department of Labor makes it mandatory that a "rest area" for women employees be included in the building plans.

- Heard Charles Higgins, county welfare director, say that migrant welfare costs are down "about 40 per cent" compared to last year. Higgins said reasons include a food stamp program in Texas - from where many migrants originate - and the continued mechanization of crop harvests in this state.

- Appointed Paul Kaiser, Francis Finch, Bernard Johnson and A. A. (Eddie) Smith as members of an executive committee to begin forming plans for the celebration of the nation's 200th birthday in 1976.

Nude Arrested

MOUNT PLEASANT, Mich. (AP) — A 23-year-old Detroit man pleaded innocent to indecent exposure charges Tuesday after authorities said they found him nude on a freeway exit ramp.

Authorities said Brian Ellsworth was arrested Monday while sitting on a blanket without any clothes on at the northbound exit ramp of the Shepherd interchange of U.S. 27, just south of here.

They said he was reading a Bible at the time he was arrested.

Ellsworth was released on personal bond pending a July 19 hearing.